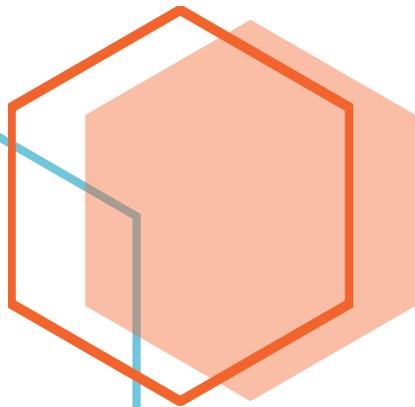




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The story of the cave ends with glad tidings for the believers.

Ayah 30

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ إِنَّا لَا نُضِيعُ أَجْرَ مَنْ
أَحْسَنَ عَمَلًا



Indeed, those who have believed and done righteous deeds - indeed, We will not allow to be lost the reward of any who did well in deeds.

Ayah 30 and 31 is about the believers who guard their faith in the times of trial. In order to deal with trials of Deen you need a cave. You need to isolate from disbelief. They are afraid of mixing with the disbelievers. In Ayah 30 and 31 Allah is telling us about the people who believed and did good deeds. In the times of the trial of Deen we need:

1. Faith to keep us secure and connected
2. Righteous good deed to keep us motivated. We need this in the times of trial.

During normal times anyone can easily do good deeds but the reward of doing good deeds is much higher during the time of trial since it requires a lot of effort. The time is not easy and we need to benefit the maximum in this time by doing ihsan as it is the time of trial. People face the trials to reach Firdous because even they are rewarded greatly even if they do little. They believers maintain their standard of good deeds during times of ease and during the time of trial and this is Ihsan. Ihsan is to worship Allah as if we see Him and if we cannot see Him then know He sees us. Allah is telling us that He will preserve the ihsan and their good deeds will not go to waste as Allah will recompense them.



Ayah 31

أُولَئِكَ لَهُمْ جَنَّاتُ عَدْنٍ تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْتِهِمُ الْأَنْهَارُ يُحَلَّوْنَ فِيهَا مِنْ
أَسَاوِرَ مِنْ ذَهَبٍ وَيَلْبَسُونَ ثِيَابًا خضْرًا مِنْ سُنْدُسٍ وَإِسْتَبْرَقٍ مُتَّكِينَ
فِيهَا عَلَى الْأَرَائِكِ نِعْمَ الثَّوَابُ وَحَسُنَتْ مُرْتَفَقًا ﴿٣١﴾

Those will have gardens of perpetual residence; beneath them rivers will flow. They will be adorned therein with bracelets of gold and will wear green garments of fine silk and brocade, reclining therein on adorned couches. Excellent is the reward, and good is the resting place.

In Ayah 31, Allah tells us about the reward for those who belief and do righteous good deeds. There are four pleasures mentioned for the believers who protected themselves from the trials by holding their faith and performing good deeds (as if restricting themselves in the cave)

1. Residence in Garden of Eden with tall trees.
2. Rivers will flow under them
3. They will be adorned with bracelets of heaven and luxurious green clothes which will be layers of fine and thick silk
4. They will recline on the thrones. Their body heart and mind will be at rest.

When your concern is the Hereafter then Allah will take care of all your concerns of the Duniya.

The best remedy in times of trial is to be grateful. You need to count all your blessings.

Paradise is the best reward and the best accommodation. Its dwellers will have constant happiness, desires, delights and pleasures. The least person can see his kingdom for 1000 years and he will feel he is the best in paradise and he got more than his wishes. This is for the person to enter paradise last, so we can only imagine the state of those in higher levels. Paradise is what no eye has seen, no ear has heard and has never crossed the heart.